

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
A B S T R A C T

Dept. for Women, Children, Disabled & Senior Citizens - Constitution of Committee for report on extension of certain provisions/concessions to the children with 'Dyslexia' in educational institutions - Orders - Issued.

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DEPT FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, DISABLED & SENIOR CITIZENS

G.O.Ms.No. 51

Dt.4-10-2010
Read the following:-

1. Reprn. of President, Dyslexia Association of A.P., Hyd letter dated 9-6-2010.
2. G.O.Ms.No.34, Education Deptt. Govt. of A.P., dated 5-3-2004
- 3 G.O.No.110, dated 17-7-2003 of School Education Deptt Government of Tamilnadu.

O R D E R:-

In the reference 1st read above, the President, Dyslexia Association of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad has requested to extend various concessions to students with Dyslexia as are already being extended by other State Governments such as Maharashtra, Karnataka and Tamilnadu etc.

2. Dyslexia is a learning difficulty characterized by poor language/speech development, attention, socialization, motor control, and perceptual deficits. Such children may have problems in reading, writing, spelling, comprehension, mathematics etc. They often fare badly in certain examinations though they have the potential to do better. Instruction/Teaching by different methodology can help these children to perform much better and live upto their potential. However, they are often denied this help in our educational system. In India, this is further compounded by lack of awareness among teachers, parents and educational institutions.

3. According to the NPE-POA,1992, there were 12.59 million children in the school going age who having learning difficulty like

Dyslexia/Dysgraphia/Dyscalculia constituting 10% of school going children. The severity and type may vary but the magnitude is alarming. The numbers are only being compounded every day because of lack of awareness and the right methodology for remediation or right approach in helping these children.

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4. In the reference 2nd read above, Education Department have extended the following concessions to students with 'Dyslexia'.

- (i) Exemption from writing 3rd language;
- (ii) Provision of a Scribe;
- (iii) Allowing additional time for one hour (60 minutes) for each paper

5. The State Governments of Maharashtra, Karnataka and Tamilnadu states have reportedly provided certain concessions to them.

6. Government after careful consideration, hereby constitute a Committee as follows:-

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| 1. Director, SCERT | ... | Chairperson |
| 2. Concerned Officer from
o/o State Project Director, RVM
(State Co-ordinator – IE) | .. | Member-Convenor |
| 3. Concerned Officer from
Commissionerate of
Disabled Welfare | ... | Member |

4. Concerned Officer from
Commissionerate of School Education ... Member
5. Concerned Officer from
Commissionerate of Higher Education ... Member
6. Concerned Officer from
Directorate of Intermediate Board ... Member

7. The Committee shall examine the situation in neighboring states and in consultation with experts and expert institutions concerned such as National Institute of Mentally Handicapped, Sec'bad, Indian Institute of Public Health, Hyderabad, and stakeholder Associations etc. submit their report on:-

- (i) the concessions that are being provided in other states and that could be extended to students with Dyslexia in Andhra Pradesh, with implications thereof; if any.
- (ii) The procedure and guidelines for identification and assessment of children with 'Dyslexia'.
- (iii) Whether D.Ed syllabus needs to be further upgraded to equip the teachers to effectively reach out to such children. If so, action plan for same.

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8. The Committee should submit its report particularly on issue (i) above within one month and on (ii) & (iii) within two months.

9. This has been endorsed by the Prl.Secy,HE/RVM/HM&FW and Secy, Education.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S.V.PRASAD,

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

All the Members of the Committee
The Chairman, State Council of Higher Education, Hyd

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- " Secretary to Govt., School Education
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